

BOWEN HOTEL

AL-VI-B-066
Route 36, Midland
ca. 1910

The Old Hotel consists of a two story, four bay wide frame structure with a facial parapet. The building was constructed circa 1910 by Mr. Bowen for the purpose of boarding space for company representatives. The facade has been altered internally; first to serve as a pool room and saloon, and now to serve as bar and grill with second story apartments.

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

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AL-VI-B-066

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Bowen Hotel & Store

AND/OR COMMON

Thrasher's Store Front Frame

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Route 36

CITY, TOWN

Midland

☒ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Sixth

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Allegany

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT☒ BUILDING(S)☐ STRUCTURE☐ SITE☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC☒ PRIVATE☐ BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS☐ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED☐ UNOCCUPIED☐ WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

☐ YES: RESTRICTED☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED☒ NO

PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE☐ COMMERCIAL☐ EDUCATIONAL☐ ENTERTAINMENT☐ GOVERNMENT☐ INDUSTRIAL☐ MILITARY☐ MUSEUM☐ PARK☐ PRIVATE RESIDENCE☐ RELIGIOUS☐ SCIENTIFIC☐ TRANSPORTATION☒ OTHER Bar & Grill**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

(Thrasher)

George's Creek Construction Company Telephone #: 463-2242

STREET & NUMBER

Route 55

CITY, TOWN

Frostburg

☒ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21532

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTIONCOURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Allegany County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER

30 Washington Street

CITY, TOWN

Cumberland,

STATE

Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

100-8-00

CONDITION

☐ EXCELLENT
☒ GOOD
☐ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED
☐ RUINS
☐ UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

☐ UNALTERED
☒ ALTERED

CHECK ONE

☒ ORIGINAL SITE
☐ MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Thrasher's Store is located on the west side of Route 36, Main Street in Midland, Allegany County near the new Route 36 intersection.

The structure basically consists of a two story, four bay wide, rectangular shaped frame structure covered with beveled siding. The entire facade is supported by a low stone foundation with a plain water table. The roof of the building is flat and features a parapet on the front eastern face. The parapet includes a narrow soffit supported by scrolled brackets. Windows in the structure feature double hung wooden sash frames with one over one lights and cornices on the second story. The building originally was divided into a store and dwelling place, and the ground story includes a bay window and commercial store front windows on the front eastern side. The main entrance placed on the commercial half of the structure is recessed into the store front windows, while the other entrance is plain with a verticle paneled door. The entrances are covered by a hipped roof; supported by banistered columns on the residential side and by the store front windows on the other.

The building is structurally sound; however, it has been altered somewhat and now serves as a local tavern.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES	BUILDER/ARCHITECT
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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The present Thrasher's store front frame was constructed by Mr. Bowen circa 1910. The building was originally built for the purpose of a hotel and was used to supplement the boarding space needed for mining company representatives.¹ After the decline of the mining industry and the need for boarding rooms diminished, the structure was converted into a saloon and pool-hall. The structure is presently used as a bar and grill on the ground floor, while the second story is renovated into apartments.

¹ Interview with Miss Catherine Broderick, February 7, 1977

MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Allegany County Land Records, Cumberland, Maryland

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY less than 1 acre

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

John Nelson & Joan Baldwin

ORGANIZATION

Allegany County Historic Sites Survey

DATE

1/17/77

STREET & NUMBER

507 National Highway

TELEPHONE

777-8991

CITY OR TOWN

LaVale,

STATE

Maryland

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438

INVENTORY NO. AL-VI-B-066DATE: 12/29/76

484/549 Lot

REMODELING: Drastic, moderate, minor

Less Than one

NAME OF PROPERTY: Thrasher's Store on Bowen HotelLOCATION OF PROPERTY: Rt 36 MidlandDIRECTION DWELLING FACES: SouthcastNAME OF OWNER: George's Creek Construction Company, Inc. (Thrasher)ADDRESS: Rt 55 Rt 1 463-2242
Frostburg, MD 21532STORIES: 1() 2(☒) 3() 4() 5() 6() BAYS: 1() 2() 3() 4(☒) 5() 6() 7() ()WINGS, ADDITIONS: Rear 2 Story FrameDwelling Shape: (square, cross, rectangular)

WALL CONSTRUCTION:

- (☒) FRAME: Bevel, ~~clapboard~~ weatherboard, wood shingles, board & batten (type?)
() BRICK: Bond type- common, English, Flemish. Sketch variants.
() STONE: Bond type- rubble, ashlar (random or regular), quoins-plain, rusticated
() LOG
() Other: Coverings

WALL FEATURES: BELT COURSE, PILASTERS, OTHERS PlainFOUNDATIONS: HIGH, LOW, BRICK, STONEWATER TABLE: NONE, PLAIN, BEVELED, MOULDED BRICKWINDOWS, TRIM, SHUTTERS: 1/1(☒) 2/2() 6/6() 9/6() 9/9() other() Cornice
Bay windows architrave
pegged() nailed() wide() narrow() mitred() pediment()ENTRANCE, DOORS: LOCATION: 2 FrontHARDWARE: original(☒) replaced(☒)
FAN LIGHT, TRANSOM, SIDE LIGHTS, PLAIN
Paneled, Verticle, Horizontal BoardsScrolled BracketCORNICE, BARGE, EAVES: (crown, fascia, soffit, bed)original() replaced() Rafter Ends, Modillions, Dentils, FriezeArchitraveROOF: GABLE FRONT, GABLE FLANK, HIP, SHED, LANCARD, GAMBREL, FLAT, FORMERS #

MATERIAL: wood shingles, slate, tin, asphalt original() replaced()

PORCHES: SHAPE OF ROOF - shed() hip(☒) gable()CHIMNEYS: NUMBER BRICK ~~STONE~~() CORBELLED() original() replaced()LOCATION: Flush end() Inside end(☒) Outside end() Central() Interior()

ARCHES: Door and window: Keystone, Flat, Segmental, Semicircular

COMMENTS:

Use - Bar + Grill
Significance - Arch
Date Constructed 2/19/10
Condition - GoodUsed to be a
store, pool room

SECTION VI QUADRANGLE B

STATE OF MARYLAND
MARYLAND GEOLOGICAL SURVEY





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Thrasher's Store

Rt. 36 Midland

12/29/76

West

John E. Nelson